



# BookChat

Spring 2017

123 East Scranton Avenue  
Lake Bluff, Illinois 60044  
phone 847.234.2540

What's New at the Lake Bluff Public Library  
[www.LakeBluffLibrary.org](http://www.LakeBluffLibrary.org)

## Board of Trustees

Kathy Meierhoff, President  
Carole Stroh, Vice President  
Scot Butler, Treasurer  
Janie Jerch, Secretary  
Timothy Kregor  
Carl Schons  
Romain Wojda

## Board Meetings at 7:00pm

Tuesday, March 21  
Tuesday, April 18  
Tuesday, May 16

Library board meetings are held at the library  
and open to the public.

## Library Hours

Monday	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Tuesday	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Thursday	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Friday	10:00 am to 6:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sunday	1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

## Library Closures

Sunday, April 16 (Easter)  
Sunday, May 28 (Memorial Day Weekend)  
Monday, May 29 (Memorial Day)

All library programs  
are free of charge and  
open to everyone.  
You do not need a library  
card to attend.

## FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



## Spring Break Crafternoons!

Monday, March 27 through Friday, March 31 from 3:00pm to 4:00pm  
All Ages!

Join us at the library for a week of crafts to celebrate spring. Stop by for origami on Monday, duct tape flower pens on Tuesday, and friendship bracelets on Wednesday. Thursday we'll enjoy coloring and crosswords, and Friday we'll make adorable yarn pom-pom chicks.

## NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK: BECAUSE OF YOU, LIBRARIES TRANSFORM

Sunday, April 9 through Saturday, April 15

Celebrate National Library Week with the Lake Bluff Public Library! This week, celebrate all of the ways that the Library transforms you and your community.

### ■ Butterflies Transform at the Library

Sunday, April 9 through Saturday, April 15

The official logo of National Library Week features the ultimate symbol of transformation: a butterfly! We will again be raising butterflies at the circulation desk to celebrate. Stop by during the week and watch our army of caterpillars transform into a flutter of butterflies or during our Saturday Spectacular, when we'll release the butterflies into their new home outside the library (weather permitting). The butterflies are sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

### ■ National Library Week Saturday Spectacular

Saturday, April 15 from 1:30pm to 3:30pm

Come celebrate with us on the last day of National Library Week! Beginning at 1:30, we'll be joined by renowned balloon artist Holly Nagel, who will amaze you with her ability to transform ordinary balloons into everything from animals to superheroes! At 2:00, join us outside for some light refreshments as we release our National Library Week Butterflies and at 2:30, try your hand at 10 Minute Trivia. We'll also have fun activities like coloring and origami available throughout the day. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

# Adult Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

Please register for adult programs to ensure we have the room adequately set-up.

Registration can be completed online at [www.LakeBluffLibrary.org](http://www.LakeBluffLibrary.org), by phone at 847-234-2540, or in person at the Reference Desk.

## ESL Tutoring

**Thursdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23 and April 6 at 10:15am**

This six week class is open to all nonnative speakers to improve their English speaking, reading and writing skills. Expand your vocabulary with Kavita Prasad and Yoo Mi Hahn leading the conversations! Participants may attend any number of the classes at the library.

## Five Strategies for Stretching Your Healthcare Dollar

**Monday, March 6 at 7:00pm**

Healthcare costs are on the rise, but making the most of your healthcare dollar is easier than you think. Carrie Espinosa from Horizon Benefit Services returns to our library to share valuable strategies to help you stretch your healthcare dollar and navigate health insurance.

## Genealogy Club

**Tuesdays, March 7, April 4 and May 9 at 11:00am**

Join us for genealogy club meetings to learn tips for your genealogy research. Discuss your discoveries and challenges with other family history researchers and see how online resources can best facilitate your search. New members always welcome.

## Spring Adult Crafts: Renew and Recycle

**Wednesdays, March 8, April 12, and May 10 at 1:30pm**

**Registration is required**

Join Liliana to see how these crafts put a new twist on some common items. In March, learn the basics of quilling to turn simple strips of paper into beautiful cards and art. Get ready for Earth Day in April by making an upcycled T-shirt Tote Bag. In May, transform old CDs into stunning coasters, ornaments or wall art. Crafts are on the second Wednesday of the month. All materials are provided, please register at least one week in advance. Supplies are provided by the Friends of the Lake Bluff Library.



## Tax-Free Investing Strategies

**Thursday, March 9 at 1:30pm**

Mike Adams, a financial advisor with Edward Jones, will discuss tax-free investing emphasizing it is not "what you make but what you keep." Mr. Adams will be open to questions from the participants.

## Cookbook Book Club

**Thursday, March 23rd, at 7:00 pm**

This Club is for YOU if you enjoy cooking, baking, or just the way that food brings people together. Of course, you have to like EATING too! Be sure to plan ahead: selected cookbooks will be on display at the library two weeks prior to the club meeting. Come browse and pick a recipe to make. Bring your finished dish to Book Club, and sample everyone's delicious foods, while discussing the topic.

**Topic: Going Green!**

Spring is coming, and that means growth, and sun, and green! This month we'll choose recipes that make us think of Spring. Let's showcase fruits, herbs, and tender green vegetables. Create and enjoy a simple, flavorful dish!



## READ A LATTE: Adult Winter Reading Club

**Continues until Friday, March 31 at 6:00pm**

It's as easy as tic-tac-toe! Pick up a reading log at the library today to see what the buzz is all about. Turn in your completed reading logs by Friday, March 31 to earn a free drink generously donated by Hansa Coffee Roasters as well as other great prizes.

## The Bible and the Ancient Near East

**Thursday, April 6 at 7:00pm**

For over 2,000 years, the Hebrew Bible has been considered sacred scripture by Jews and Christians. It also contains traditions held in high regard by Muslims. One of the most influential books ever written, it is also one of the more important artifacts of ancient Middle East. In this lecture by Andrew Burlingame, PhD student in Northwest Semitic Philology, we explore the Hebrew Bible and its work, and trace the new discoveries and revolutionary approaches to biblical scholarship that have emerged through the research of organizations like the Oriental Institute.

## Clean Eating

**Thursday, April 20 at 7:00pm**

It's easy to appreciate a healthy diet when everything tastes delicious! Chef Cherise Slattery from Hazelnuts Market will explain the methods behind the clean eating movement and teach you knife skill techniques that will make preparing all those fruits and vegetables a breeze. Her program includes Oats'n Flax Granola, Tangy Vegetable Salad, and Organic Berry Crumble. Tasty bites and recipes will be shared. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Lake Bluff Library.



## Trivia Night @ Lake Bluff Brewing Company

**Mondays, April 24 and June 5 at 7:00pm**

**OVERFLOW NIGHTS: Mondays, May 1 and June 12 at 7:00pm**

**Registration is required, space is limited.**

Gather your friends and join us for Trivia Night at the Lake Bluff Brewing Company! Register your team of up to six people and get your thinking caps ready. All participants must be 21 and older. Registration will begin on Monday, March 6.

**Overflow Nights:** If you are unable to get a seat in the regular sessions on April 24 and June 5 sessions, register for the Overflow Trivia Nights on May 1 and June 12. Overflow Trivia Nights will be offered if enough people register, so please be sure to sign up!



# Adult Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library



## Smart Money Strategies

**Thursday, April 27 at 1:30pm and 7:00pm**

Mike Adams, a financial advisor with Edward Jones, discusses strategies pertaining to DCA (dollar cost averaging) including term life vs permanent life insurance policies, 401k vs Roth savings and different ways of funding education costs. Mr. Adams will answer questions from the participants.

## College Illinois: Prepaid Tuition Plan

**Tuesday, May 9 from 10:00am to 12:00pm**

Information table and representative available for your questions.

## Cheese Making

**Friday, May 12 at 1:30pm**

Good cheese tastes even better when you make it yourself! Mark Lyons, an experienced home cheesemaker, will demonstrate the art and the science of cheese making so you too can make cheese in your own kitchen.

## Summers Count: Ways to Keep Your Child Learning this Summer!

**Thursday, May 18 at 1:00pm and 7:00pm**

Parents! School is almost out and your child has worked hard. In an hour, Pat Harkins, an elementary school teacher for over 30 years, will show you easy ways to help your child retain what they learned during the school year.

## Watercolors and Mocktails

**Thursday, May 25 at 7:00pm**

**Registration is required**

Relax with friends, sip a cool drink and try your hand at watercolors! Join us for a laid-back evening of drawing and painting with watercolor pencils. Learn a few techniques, then sit back and enjoy a non-alcoholic beverage while you create a wonderful work of art!

## MOVIES FOR ADULTS

Bring a friend and enjoy a movie at the library. Refreshments are served.

**Friday, March 10 at 1:30pm**

*Southside with You*

(Rated PG-13, 2016, 84 minutes)

**Thursday, April 13 at 1:30pm**

*The Queen of Katwe*

(Rated PG, 2016, 124 minutes)

**Friday, May 26 at 1:30pm**

*Arrival*

(Rated PG-13, 2016, 116 minutes)



## DISPLAY CASE

Are you an avid collector of unique items? Dust off those meaningful items and share them with the patrons of Lake Bluff Library in the Spruth Room's glass display case. Please contact Carol Carter for available dates.

**March:** Jen Richards' shares her collection of dolls called Kiddles.

**April:** The North Shore Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution brings together historical memorabilia.

**May:** Philatelist Elliot Miller shares his collection of U.S. and United Nations stamps.



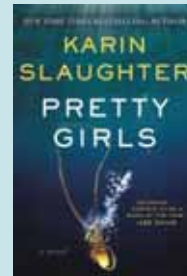
**Third Tuesday at 2:30pm**

Attend book club and share your comments with other book lovers! Carol leads open-ended and insightful discussions that may change your ideas about the book. All of the titles for the discussions are available for check-out at the circulation desk. Some of the titles can be downloaded from MyMediaMall.

**March:** No Meeting

**April 18:** *Pretty Girls* by Karin Slaughter (2015, Fiction, 416 pages)

**May 16:** *H is for Hawk* by Helen Macdonald (2014, Nonfiction, 300 pages)



## Save the Date!

**Hamilton: The Man, the Miranda and the Musical**

**Thursday, June 22 at 7:00pm**

Barry Bradford returns for a repeat presentation of his outstanding program on Alexander Hamilton.

# Children's Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

## THE 31ST ANNUAL PHYLLIS FOX MEMORIAL WRITING CONTEST AND THE 28TH ANNUAL BOOKMARK DESIGN CONTEST

Pick up your entry form for these two contests beginning Wednesday, February 15.

\*All entries for both contests are due no later than Wednesday, March 22, 2017 by 6:00pm

\*Winners will be announced Monday April 10, 2017 at 10:00am

\*An award presentation ceremony will be held Wednesday, May 10, 2017, 7:00pm at Blair Park Rec Center.

\*Visit the Children's Department for complete details!

Now accepting entries for the Phyllis Fox Memorial Writing Contest electronically. For further information see the contest form or ask in the children's department.

The Phyllis Fox Memorial Writing Contest is open to children in grades 1 through 8. Children can write a short story on any subject they wish. First Place winners will receive \$25 gift card. The Bookmark Design Contest is open to children in grades K through 8. Children can design a bookmark on the theme of reading and/or books. First Place winners will receive 100 professionally printed copies of their winning entry. All winning entries will be available for patrons at the library.



### Preschool Storytime

**Tuesdays, March 21, 28, and April 4, 11, 18, 25**  
**Registration is required**

2 year old 10:15am – 10:35am

For 1 child with 1 caregiver

3-5 year old 10:45am – 11:15am

For children w/out caregiver

### Andy Head Wonderful Wacky Juggler

**Saturday, April 8th at 11:00am**

Super Juggler, Andy Head returns to the Lake Bluff Library for a knock-out comedy juggling show that will have everyone laughing and smiling. It's the perfect blend of silliness and sophistication. After the show, Andy will do a 15 minute workshop which will include Scarf Juggling, Feather Balancing and Ball Spinning.



### Movie at the Library

**Wednesday, March 29 at 2:00pm**

Movie title to be announced. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.



### April Art Show

The children's department will have an amazing art display during April produced by the boys and girls of Lake Bluff from Ms. Thomsen's after school Park District art classes for grades K-5. Stop by and see the remarkable talent of these Lake Bluff children.



### Mad Hatters Return!

**Saturday, April 29th at 11:00am**

Children in preschool and up can join us for this fast-paced, exciting program sponsored by the Junior League of Chicago. Their hats are their costumes as they tell stories and sing songs to entertain all.



### Winter Reading Club Ends

**Saturday, May 6**

This is the last day to report on any books for the Winter Reading Club. No badges will be awarded after this date.



### NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

**Sunday, April 9 through Saturday, April 15**

Celebrate the many wonders of your library with us this week. We offer you everything from magazines to books, to computers for recreation and education. Visit the Children's Department and see what's new.

#### \*Bookmark Design Contest Display

All of the 28th Annual Bookmark Design Contest entries will be on display in the Children's Department. Come see all of the imaginative designs.

#### \*Drop-In Craft

Sunday, April 9 through Saturday, April 15  
Drop in and make a delightful craft for National Library Week. While supplies last.

*Save the Date!*  
**Summer Reading Club Starts ...**  
**Saturday, June 17!**  
**"Where the Wild Things Read"**



# Children's Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

## Just for Teens & Tweens

Grades 6 through 12

### TEEN CRAFTS

#### *Painted Rocks*

**Thursday, March 2 at 7:00pm**

Need a paperweight, door holder, or small decorative gift? Come paint some rocks at the library, make them your own!



#### *Book Page Pinwheels*

**Thursday, April 6 at 7:00pm**

Make some lovely pinwheels out of old book pages!



#### *String Art*

**Thursday, May 11 at 7:00pm**

Design your own string art! Will it be your first initial? One color or a rainbow of colors? The choice is yours.



#### *ACT Prep*

**Wednesday, March 8 at 7:00pm**

**Registration is required**

Join Kathryn Petty of Grace Tutoring, LLC, a seasoned local ACT tutor, for a last chance workout before the ACTs begin! Juniors and Seniors can join us to go over some strategies and content to prepare for the ACTs. Space is limited, please register!

#### *Teen Advisory Board*

**Thursdays, March 16, April 13, and May 18 at 7:30pm**

Join this fun group and earn volunteer hours, meet new friends, find new books, and give us your two cents about teen services! Play a bookish guessing game for the chance to win a different prize every month! Snacks and drinks will be served.

#### *Stories and Starbucks!*

#### *Teen Book Discussion Group*

**Saturday, April 22 at 2:00pm**

Meet at the Lake Bluff Starbucks on Waukegan Rd to discuss a different title every month, and we'll treat you to a coffee, tea or snack!

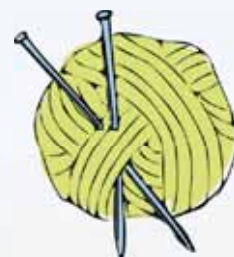
*The Lie Tree* by Frances Hardinge



#### *Knitting*

**Thursdays, April 27 and May 25 at 7:30pm**

Teens, if you have an interest in knitting or crochet, join us once a month to stitch and chat! Eliza can teach you the basics, help you master new techniques, or even troubleshoot problems you might be having! Beginners are welcome in this relaxed, informal group.



Join us on the teen blog; get the latest information and goings-on. Submit your own posts to share opinions on books you just finished, games you're obsessed with, movies you're anticipating, and more!  
<http://lakeblufflibraryteens.tumblr.com/>



# FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS

Thank you so much to all who contributed to the Friends of the Lake Bluff Library 2016 Annual Fundraising campaign. Because of your support, the Friends were able to fund the following projects in 2016:

- **February 2016** – LEGOMania Program for children ages 6-8 and 9-12 and a watercolor workshop for adults with artist Christine Thornton.
- **April 2016** – National Library Week butterflies and refreshments for the Butterfly Release Party.
- **June 2016** – Donuts for the “Donuts and Dads Storytime” on Father’s Day weekend.
- **July 2016** – Library t-shirts featuring the new library logo. These t-shirts are worn at outreach events like the 4th of July Parade, the Farmer’s Market, Trivia Night, and many others!
- **July 2016** – The Balloon Artist who entertained the crowds at the Criterium Bicycle Race and the Library’s Annual Sidewalk Chalk Art Competition.
- And more!

Your donations will continue to support future programs and enhancements in 2017, including a cooking program for adults, National Library Week activities, Jigglejam (a music program for children), a new Trending Titles collection, and more! We are always looking for new members. Please consider attending our monthly meeting on the third Saturday of the month at the Library. We can never have too many Friends!

## *The Friends of the Library*

Linda Schwartz, *President*  
Eileen Laack, *Vice President*  
Eva Javier, *Treasurer*  
Mary Dahmann, *Secretary*

## *Friends Meetings at 10:00am*

Meetings are on the third Saturday of the month.

Saturday, March 18  
Saturday, April 22  
Saturday, May 20

We gladly welcome new members to the Friends Board. Check us out on the library web page or attend a meeting on the third Saturday of the month at 10:00 in the Lake Bluff Library.



*Thanks to Creekside for design work and to the Friends of the Library for partial support.  
The newsletter is printed on recycled paper with soy based ink.*

RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER  
ECRWSS

Non-Profit  
Organization  
STD Mail  
U.S. Postage Paid  
Permit No. 98

Lake Bluff Public Library  
123 E. Scranton Ave.  
Lake Bluff, IL 60044

